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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/679,412
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In response to the Restriction Requirement and Election of Species Requirement dated June 20, 2006, the Applicants elect with traverse the invention of Group I corresponding to Claims 1-18 and 25-27, and further provisionally elect with traverse Species 9 corresponding to the ninth embodiment and identifies Claim 25 as readable on the provisionally elected species. Additionally, the Applicants note that the description of the ninth embodiment on page 35, lines 14-16, indicates that the features depicted in Figures 1-4 are also part of the ninth embodiment, and thus the Applicants further submit that Claims 1-5, 8, and 9 are readable on the provisionally elected species.

The Applicants respectfully traverse the election requirement for several reasons.